

INTERNAL TITLE 38 VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Announcement Number:	T38-2003-28	Opening Date:	6-17-03	Closing Date:	7-1-03
Position/Position Number:	NURSE (COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSE)	Organizational Location:	NURSING SERVICE AUSTIN		
Salary Range:	DETERMINED BY NURSE PSB BASED ON EDUCATION, EXPERIENCE, AND CREDENTIALS Nurse II - \$49,239 - \$65,486 per annum Nurse III - \$57,824 - \$76,898 per annum	Area of Consideration:	CURRENT PERMANENT EMPLOYEES OF CENTRAL TEXAS VETERANS HEALTH CARE SYSTEM		

Duties and Responsibilities:

Hours of duty: 7:30a.m. to 4 p.m. during an administrative work week. This position is for a Community Health Nurse at CTVHCS, Austin. Position involves extensive travel with a government vehicle over a large central Texas area (Austin, Cedar Park, Bryan). Incumbent oversees the care and services provided to veterans on contract for the programs of Community Nursing Home (CNH), Adult Day Health Care (ADHC) and Homemaker/Home/Health Aid programs (H/HHA). Incumbent is a member of an interdisciplinary/multidisciplinary CNH Review Team and participates in the pre-survey document review to evaluate whether veterans are receiving quality care in the CNH prior to inspection. Incumbent participates in CNH and ADHC inspections, making recommendations for contract disposition. Also, assists with Community Residential Care Program (CRCP) inspections. Is a resource to the inpatient units/clinics for referrals to lower levels of care to enhance the quality of life of our veterans. Processes home health referrals for Medicare, Medicaid or fee basis and determines the agency in the community to provide the care contracted for by the VA. Travel to other integrated Clinical Facilities is required to accomplish duties and responsibilities.

NOTE: Current valid Texas driver's license required.

Basic Qualification Requirements (Nurse Qualification Standard, VA Handbook 5005, Part II, Appendix G6):

1. Must be a citizen of U.S.
2. Must be a graduate of a school of professional nursing approved by the appropriate State accrediting agency at the time the program was completed by the applicant.
3. Must have a full, current, active and unrestricted license as a nurse in a State, Territory, Commonwealth (i.e. Puerto Rico) of the United States or District of Columbia.
4. Must meet physical standards as indicated in VA Handbook 5019
5. Must be proficient in spoken and written English as required by VA Handbook 5005, Part II, Appendix I.

Preferred Qualifications:

Bachelor's Degree in Nursing (BSN), preferred
One to three years of community health/nursing home/Long Term Care (LTC)/discharge planning/primary care experience.
Knowledge of Medicare, Medicaid, fee basis or private pay requirements for home health referrals.
Knowledge of JCAHO, LTC Standards, Community Nursing Home Care Standards-42 CFR 483, and any TDHS regulatory standards or LSC standards.

How to Apply:

CTVHCS applicants who wish to be considered need to submit an E-mail message (or written request) and a current curriculum vitae to Carol Blackwell, Human Resources Specialist, Human Resources Management Service, extension 5554, on or before the closing date of the announcement. It is your responsibility to assure that your Official Personnel Folder (OPF) is current and shows all work experience and credentials prior to the closing date of this announcement.

NOTE: This agency provides reasonable accommodations to applicants with disabilities. If you need a reasonable accommodation for any part of the application and hiring process, please notify the agency. The decision on granting accommodation will be on a case-to-case basis.

THIS IS A RANDOM DRUG TESTING POSITION. SELECTEE WILL BE SUBJECTED TO RANDOM DRUG TESTS.

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: ACTIONS TO FILL THIS POSITION WILL NOT BE BASED ON DISCRIMINATORY FACTORS, WHICH ARE PROHIBITED BY LAW.